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Congressman Ben Cardin - Maryland's Third District

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Dear Friends,

Last week, the House passed legislation to strengthen and reauthorize what is often referred to as "the crown jewel of civil rights statutes" -- the 1965 **Voting Rights Act**. The Senate has followed the House in passing this measure.

I co-sponsored the **Voting Rights Reauthorization Act**, HR 9, because individuals and groups are still trying to deny the franchise to minority voters by using despicable tactics such as posting flyers telling voters they may be arrested when they show up to vote if they owe back taxes or have unpaid parking tickets.

HR 9 continues the extensive protections to minority communities by prohibiting voting practices that would abridge the right to vote on the basis of race. Many such practices -- such as poll taxes and literacy tests -- were used to deny the vote to African Americans.

The foundation of our democracy is the right to vote, and in reauthorizing this legislation we are sending a message that this right is a sacred right of all Americans.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin
Member of Congress



CONGRESSMAN CARDIN JOINS VOTING RIGHTS EVENT ON CAPITOL HILL

Rep. Cardin joins other members of Congress and representatives from numerous civil rights organizations at an event on Capitol Hill to urge swift passage of legislation to reauthorize the 1965 **Voting Rights Act**. The Congressman looks on as Marc Morial, President of the National Urban League, talks about the need to reauthorize this historic measure.

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